

Community Engagement RWU

WHAT IS COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT@RWU ?

One of the many things that Community Engagment@RWU provides is project-based assistance to nonprofit organizations and government agencies in communities in Rhode Island and Southeastern Massachusetts. Our mission is to undertake and complete projects that will benefit the local community while providing RWU students with experience in real-world projects that deepen their academic experiences.

Community Engaged projects draw upon students and faculty from RWU programs in all majors.

Past projects have included topics like: market research and planning, historical research, mill redevelopment feasibility studies, urban policy analysis, design projects for affordable housing and education facilities, community business district revitalization, neighborhood revitalization plans, museum exhibit design, historic building rehabilitation studies, social services research, website and graphic design, environmental sustainability planning, and survey development.

Project services are performed by students in support of their educational experience. Applicants shall understand that any deliverables generated through an accepted project are intended to provide conceptual information only to assist in design and planning and as such are not intended, nor should they be used for, construction or other project implementation. Professional and/or other services may be needed to ultimately implement a sponsor's desired goals.

As we prepare for upcoming semesters, we are seeking new projects that can benefit local communities while providing our student/faculty teams with opportunities to apply their learning, engage the community, and create final products that provide benefits to all.

Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis and held for consideration for upcoming academic semesters.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Mia B. Brum

Project Coordinator

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Application Project Assistance

Please fill out the Application for Project Assistance, answering all applicable questions and including all supporting documents.

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Fax: (401) 254-3523

Mail: RWU Community Partnerships Center
Roger Williams University
One Old Ferry Road
Bristol, RI 02809-2921

SECTION 1: Organization Information

Name of Organization:

Mailing Address:

Name of Project Contact Person(s):

Contact Information:

Phone:

Fax:

E-mail:

Type of Organization

Public (town, city, municipality, special district, government agency)

Private (citizen, non-profit)

Other (please explain)

Description of Organization and Mission:

On average, how many individuals does your organization serve per year?

How did you hear about the Community Engagement @ RWU?

SECTION 2: Project Description

Title of the Project:

Project Location (Address, City, State, and Zip):

General Project Description (*you may attach a longer narrative if necessary*):

Potential Scope of Work/Tasks for RWU CPC¹ (*you may attach a longer narrative if necessary*):

What will be the final product output for this project? (*survey, website, design plans, drawings, etc.*)

Proposed Project Schedule (when the tasks/project needs to be completed):

Please provide the names and contact information for any staff members or volunteers who will be playing a primary role in the proposed project.

What active support would your organization be able to contribute should your project be selected?

- Funding
- Volunteers
- Staff time
- Consultants
- Other (please list)

SECTION 3: Project Outcomes

Please describe how this project will benefit your organization and the advancement of your mission:

Please describe how this project might benefit the overall community, including specific groups that could benefit from this project (i.e. target populations, neighborhoods, specific town/city/region).

Please describe how this project will benefit RWU students.

SECTION 4: Financial Information

What are your major sources of funding?

How much funding from your annual operating budget is set aside for this project (if any)?

SECTION 5: Private Sector Involvement

Have you or your organization discussed the project with practicing professionals (e.g. architect, engineer, planner, consultants, etc.)? *(please choose one):* Yes No

If no, please explain why:

SECTION 6: Supporting Documents

Please include the following items when submitting your application:

Budget for the current fiscal year

List of current Board members

Copies of supporting resources identified in section 2 as needed to support your application

Please submit completed application to Mia Brum, project coordinator at mbrum@rwu.edu